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In re application of

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Group Art Unit: 1733

Examiner: Adrienne C. Johnstone

For: PNEUMATIC TIRE AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENTS

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In response to the Office Action dated March 20, 2003, Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, the invention identified by the Examiner as Group I (claims 1-6), and further elects the species of Figs. 1-3, upon which at least claims 1-4 are readable. The Examiner indicates that claim 1 is generic.

An examination on the merits of the application in due course is respectfully requested.

Applicant reserves the right to file divisional application(s) directed to the non-elected inventions in due course.

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Respectfully submitted,

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